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25 Aug 95

Those who advised
that offer to
Empire should be
made, ^{before Aug 11,} that no
manif (?) to forestall
SC entry [not to
avoid Bomb]:

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Thus, it confronted bsf/
Bqms desire to use

Bomb to influence
SU in Europe
(can at possible -
not huge, HST depend -
risk of allowing
SU entry - more
important to get
the out of East Europe
than to construct a small?
risk of) letting the
into point of Japan.

small because we would
make offer to Europe after
using Bomb.)

(Saying Japanese
lines - Was this

1) Ever mentioned,
over, by anyone,
before Aug 15 -
in any connection?

2) Did anyone come
at all? (Issue:
did you support
calls for extermination,
after Aug 6?)

Agreed before
Aug 15 was written
"Extermination - as
much as possible
(delaying acceptance
of surrender)

and "Extermination as
much as necessary"
(to get surrender
after Aug. 6/

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"Necessary"?

1. NEVER ASKED (OR
ANSWERED, even implicitly)

"The dog that didn't
bark."

2. (No felt need) ^{actual,} to
justify use of Bomb,
immediately or at all.

[only: to justify,
"on city, without warning
or demo."

3. The. & under all
circs? X (summarised)
is certain not to
want happen without
this, whatever other
circs (practically possible)
e.g. - SM Europ. monitoring
(^{or} not longer)
- SC plans revealed
position
(by declaration,
or by entry)

No one believed this
or even said it.

(b) Under thin cries
(i.e. all else being
"equal": no chance
of summar without
this?

No

(c) " " equal: no
oth US initiatives that
had as good a chance
or better, of getting
summar?

NO: 4: 1 Equip

250: - warning

3 - entry

4 Bank warning

5) or demo

6) comm. handling

(note out this)
[If note out Bank,

Sept 6

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[Could US have carried
out A-bomb campaign - 4-18
Bombs against Hun - more
Dresden? (What about: against
"mil. target"? Berlin? <sup>MIGHT HAVE
ENDED WAR!
DECAP. S.H.</sup>
"USAF felt ambivalent about
participating in Dresden -
Kelley, initially, didn't want to
participate in Dresden ^{Feb 13-14} [Kelley
was commanding XXI Bomber Command
in the Marianas since Jan; and
he arrived at Tokyo on March 9¹⁰,
3 weeks later.]

Sasebo - (2) mil target
isolated from civ.

